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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q66405

Robert HOFNER

Appln. No.: 09/989,231

Group Art Unit: 2113

Confirmation No.: 9606

Examiner: Emerson C. Puente

Filed: November 21, 2001

For:

A FUNCTIONAL FAIL-OVER APPARATUS AND METHOD

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

An Excess Claims Fee Payment Letter, along with the required fee, is being concurrently filed with this Amendment.

A Petition for an Extension of Time, along with the required fee, is being concurrently filed with this Amendment.

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated August 30, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

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Sir:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below (Small Entity fees apply):

	After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Pai For	d					
All Claims		72			_X_	\$25.00	= \$.00	
Independent	10 -	8	. = <u> </u>	2	_ X_	\$100.00	= \$200.00	

TOTAL

= \$200.00

EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER US APPLICATION NO. 09/989,231 ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. Q66405

A check for the statutory fee of \$200.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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